

IN RECOGNITION OF 50 YEARS OF SERVICE OF AMBASSADOR GEORGE W. LANDAU AND ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RECEIVING THE 2013 AMERICAN FOREIGN SERVICE ASSOCIATION DIPLOMACY AWARD

HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 27, 2013

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Ambassador George W. Landau for his 50 years of service to our Nation and to congratulate him for receiving the American Foreign Service Association 2013 Lifetime Contributions to American Diplomacy Award. This award is bestowed in recognition of extraordinary contribution to diplomacy and to recognize the recipient's continued contribution in retirement to the advancement of the profession of diplomacy and U.S. foreign policy.

Ambassador George Landau served as U.S. Ambassador to Paraguay, Venezuela, and Chile, where he played a crucial role in solving the murder of Chilean politician Orlando Letelier, who died in a car bombing in Washington, DC in 1976. By preserving evidence which led to the identification of the organizers of the bombing, Ambassador Landau helped to expose a large, concerted effort to kill South American rebels and dissidents. His efforts helped to bring to justice those responsible for the crimes. Following his retirement, he served as the President of the Americas Society and Council of the Americas, and as President of the Council of Advisors, Latin America, of Guardian Industries (AS/COA).

During his tenure as president of AS/COA, Ambassador Landau worked tirelessly to persuade Congress to grant "fast track" negotiating authority to the president in support of the North American Free Trade Agreement. His efforts helped to lay the foundation for the U.S.-Chile Free Trade agreement of 2004 and the current Trans-Pacific Partnership negotiations. As an acknowledgment of his service and key role in the promotion of trade, Ambassador Landau was twice appointed to the board of the Export-Import Bank and received decorations from the governments of Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Peru, and Venezuela.

Ambassador George W. Landau personifies the ideals and values that are the basis of the U.S. Foreign Service. On behalf of a grateful nation I thank him for his long service to our country and congratulate him on his award.

CONGRATULATING THE BOCA RATON COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE OLYMPIAD TEAM

HON. LOIS FRANKEL

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. FRANKEL of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Boca Raton Community High School Science Olympiad team and their incredible achievements in the 2013 National Science Olympiad Tournament.

The team has won the Southeast Regional Championship in each of its five years in exist-

ence, as well as three consecutive Florida State Championships. This year, the National Tournament happened to occur on the same day as graduation. Six graduating seniors chose to miss the ceremony in order to represent their school, demonstrating their extraordinary commitment and leading the team to a top 25 national ranking. Two team members, Montita Sowapark and Brian Lopez, followed their 2012 national first place ranking in the "Water Quality" event with an outstanding second place finish, emphasizing the amazing scientific talent at the high school.

Once again, I would like to congratulate everyone involved with the remarkable Boca Raton Community High School Science Olympiad team, and I look forward to their continued success. To the seniors, I wish the best of luck in college and all their future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING FLEET MARINE FORCE NAVY CORPSMAN JOHN J. CROWLEY

HON. STEVE STIVERS

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. STIVERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of a grateful nation to recognize Fleet Marine Force Navy Corpsman John J. Crowley from Hilliard, Ohio, for his selfless acts of bravery and valor while deployed to Afghanistan for Operation Enduring Freedom. A true American hero, Crowley risked his life to ensure the safety of others in his squad when he aided them after the explosion of two Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs).

Corpsman Crowley has served in the Marines since 2009 where he has rightfully received numerous honors including the valor-designated Bronze Star and a Purple Heart. On June 13, 2012, his squad was on night patrol and struck by two IEDs. The first strike resulted in a dual-amputee casualty, which Corpsman Crowley promptly stabilized. The second explosion occurred as Marines swept a path toward the original casualty, resulting in three additional casualties. Corpsman Crowley was in close proximity to the second device and suffered wounds to his face and a ruptured eardrum.

Despite his injuries, Corpsman Crowley maintained composure and treated an additional double amputee, as well as the squad leader, who had severe fragmentation wounds to his hands, body and face. He then helped move the Marines with casualties to a collection point and provided life-saving updates on the patients' status until the medical emergency evacuation helicopter arrived. His decisive actions were instrumental in saving the lives of three critically injured Marines. By his guidance, initiative, and dedication to duty, Corpsman Crowley reflected great credit upon himself and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

I ask that all Members of Congress join me in offering our appreciation for Fleet Marine Force Navy Corpsman John J. Crowley and his meritorious service to this great nation. He went to the greatest extent in order to secure our freedom here at home, which deserves the highest of recognitions.

HONORING DR. JUNIPER YATES TRICE

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable Civil Servant, Dr. Juniper Yates Trice. Dr. Juniper Trice is a resident of Rosedale, Mississippi and has been an exceptional and inspirational figure in the City of Rosedale. He has devoted his life to community service and community development. He is affectionately known to many as Dr. J.Y. Trice.

Throughout the course of his career, Dr. Trice contributed to job creation as Founder and Chief Executive Officer of the Bolivar County Council on Aging which provides transportation services to rural residents. Since opening the Bolivar County Council on Aging in 1975 the organization has received national recognition from the Community Transportation Association of America, and the Mississippi Department of Public Transportation for outstanding service and leadership in serving residents of Bolivar, Sunflower, Washington and Yazoo counties. He has received numerous awards and accolades for his service to humanity.

Dr. Trice has been instrumental and a driving force in the political arena; he served as Mayor of the City of Rosedale for 16 years, and stressed to others the importance of being involved in the political process for progressive change. He has held other prestigious positions such as being the first black appointed President of the South Delta Economic Planning and Development District, and first black Chairman of the State Educational Finance Commission.

Through his dedicated work in education Dr. Trice has touched lives with his teaching abilities in Prentiss, Tishomingo, Itawamba and Bolivar Counties School Districts; and as Assistant Superintendent in Itawamba and Bolivar Counties School Districts. Dr. Trice has had a profound impact over the years in many people lives through his love of the Lord and as Presiding Elder over 41 churches throughout the State of Mississippi. His compassion has been a source of comfort and inspiration throughout his life's work.

He has traveled extensively throughout the United States and foreign countries promoting the State of Mississippi. Dr. Trice has been, and continues to be a tremendous gift to the people of Rosedale, Bolivar County and the State of Mississippi.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my Colleagues to join me in recognizing Dr. Juniper Y. Trice for his dedication to serving others.

TRIBUTE TO NANYA FRIEND OF THE CHARLESTON DAILY MAIL

HON. SHELLEY MOORE CAPITO

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. CAPITO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Nanya Friend, a resident of Charleston, West Virginia. Friend has greatly contributed to the tradition of journalism in the